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NEWSPAPERS

1. NYTIMES, KENDELL FROM BRASILIA.

"THE U.S. AND BRAZIL SIGNED AN AGREEMENT TODAY TO CONSULT EACH OTHER ON ALL IMPORTANT ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL ISSUES INVOLVING BOTH COUNTRIES AND THEIR RELATIONS WITH THE REST OF THE WORLD.

- ". . . AGREEMENT -- SIGNED BY SECRETARY. . . AND THE BRAZILIAN F.M. . . . PROVIDES A STRONG BOOST TO BRAZIL'S ASPIRATIONS TO BE RECOGNIZED AS AN EMERGING WORLD POWER. NO SIMILAR AGREEMENT HAS EXISTED BETWEEN THE U.S. AND ANY OTHER LATIN AMERICAN NATION.
- ". . .DOCUMENT. . .SPECIFIES THAT THE AMERICAN SECRETARY OF STATE WILL TRAVEL TO BRAZIL AT LEAST ONCE A YEAR TO MEET WITH BRAZILIAN F.M. THIS IS MORE FREQUENTLY THAN

"SECRETARIES OF STATE HAVE TRAVELED TO LATIN AMERICA IN THE PAST, AND UNDERLINES THE FACT THAT WASHINGTON'S RELATIONS WITH BRAZIL HAVE BEEN GIVEN MORE EMPHASIS THAN THOSE WITH OTHER NATIONS IN THE HEMISPHERE.

"THE AGREEMENT REPRESENTS THE HIGH POINT UP TO NOW OF KISSINGER'S TOUR. . . BUT THE DOCUMENT IS EXPECTED TO CAUSE IRRITATION AMONG NEIGHBORING COUNTRIES SUCH AS PERU, ARGENTINA AND VENEZUELA, WHICH HAVE EXPRESSED APPREHENSION OVER THE RISING ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL POWER OF BRAZIL. . .

"IN HIS REMARKS AT THE SIGNING CEREMONY, MR. KISSINGER SAID, 'THERE ARE NO TWO PEOPLE WHOSE CONCERN FOR HUMAN DIGNITY AND FOR THE BASIC VALUES OF MAN IS MORE PROFOUND IN DAY-TO-DAY LIFE THAN BRAZIL AND THE UNITED STATES."

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"DURING THE LAST 12 YEARS BRAZIL HAS BEEN RULED BY A RIGHT-WING MILITARY GOVERNMENT THAT HAS FREQUENTLY BEEN ACCUSED OF TORTURE, ILLEGAL DETENTIONS AND OTHER VIOLATIONS OF HUMAN RIGHTS.

"THE BRAZILIAN PRESIDENT. . . ENJOYS ARBITRARY POWERS TO DISSOLVE CONGRESS, SUSPEND THE POLITICAL RIGHTS OF ANY CITIZEN, AND SUSPEND THE WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS IN CASES DEEMED TO INVOLVE NATIONAL SECURITY.

"IN RESPONSE TO QUESTIONS ON HUMAN RIGHTS IN BRAZIL, MR. KISSINGER SAID, "IT IS NOT MY OBLIGATION HERE PUBLICLY TO DISCUSS INTERNAL BRAZILIAN AFFAIRS."

"HE LATER ADDED, 'WE HAVE STATED OUR VIE'S ON THE HUMAN RIGHTS ISSUE REPEATEDLY. THE U.S. SUPPORTS RESPECT OF THE INDIVIDUAL AND DEMOCRATIC GOVERNMENTS."

*MR. KISSINGER REITERATED THAT HIS TRIP THROUGH LATIN AMERICA WAS NOT PRIMARILY INTENDED TO RAISE THE ISSUE OF CUBAN INVOLVEMENT IN ANGOLA.

""I DON'T WANT TO TURN OUR HEMISPHERE POLICY INTO AN OBSESSION OVER A SMALL CARIBBEAN COUNTRY. HE SAID.

"THE MAIN SUBJECT OF DISCUSSION BETWEEN U.S. AND BRAZILIAN OFFICIALS HAS BEEN ECONOMIC MATTERS, PARTICULARLY BRAZIL'S WORSENING TRADE BALANCE WITH THE U.S. ACCORDING TO OFFICIALS OF BOTH COUNTRIES, THE TALKS DID NOT REACH ANY SOLUTIONS ON THE TRADE ISSUE, WHICH HAS CAUSED SOME STRAIN IN U.S.-BRAZILIAN RELATIONS.". . .

2. WASHSTAR, O'LEARY FROM BRASILIA. -

"SECRETARY. . . INDICATED YESTERDAY THAT THE U.S. WILL CONSULT OTHER L.A. NATIONS ON ANY ACTIONS IT MIGHT FIND NECESSARY IN CONNECTION WITH CUBAN MILITARY ACTIVITIES.

"REITERATING STATEMENT THAT HIS SIX-NATION LATIN TRIP IS NOT INTENDED TO ENLIST SUPPORT AGAINST CUBA HOWEVER, KISSINGER SAID THAT HE DID NOT WANT TO TURN U.S. WESTERN HEMISPHERE POLICY INTO 'AN OBSESSION WITH A SMALL CARIBBEAN COUNTRY.'...

""IF THERE IS ANY SPECIFIC CONCERN WITH CUBA, AND THE U.S. FEELS THAT ACTION IS CALLED FOR, WE WILL UNDOUBTEDLY DISCUSS THIS MATTER WITH INTERESTED LATIN STATES AND OF COURSE WE WILL DISCUSS SUCH A MATTER WITH AN OLD FRIEND. . . . " HE SAID.

"IN OTHER STATEMENTS, KISSINGER SAID THAT INCREASING PARTICIPATION OF COMMUNIST PARTIES IN SOME WESTERN EUROPEAN GOVERNMENTS WILL CHANGE THE CHARACTER OF THE U.S. RELATIONSHIP WITH THOSE COUNTRIES 'NOT BECAUSE WE WISH IT BUT BECAUSE IT IS A FACT."

"HE ALSO SAID THAT THE U.S WILL WATCH EVENTS IN ANGOLA AND NEIGHBORING AFRICAN COUNTRIES BEFORE MAKING ANY DECISION WHETHER TO RECOGNIZE THE GOVERNMENT OF THE

"IN SEEKING TO PLAY DOWN THE CUBAN FOCUS SOME HAVE GIVEN HIS TRIP, KISSINGER ASSERTED, "THIS (CUBAN AFFAIR) IS NOT THE REASON FOR THIS DOCUMENT WE SIGNED TODAY. IT WAS PREPARED BEFORE THERE WAS ANY CONCERN WITH CUBA AND WE DO NOT NEED IT TO DEAL WITH CUBA."

"EVEN THOUGH THE TRIP. . . . WAS PLANNED AND RESCHEDULED SEVERAL TIMES OVER THE PAST YEAR, MANY OBSERVERS ARE LINKING IT TO THE RELATIVELY NEW U.S. CONCERN ABOUT CUBA'S OVERSEAS MILITARY OPERATIONS.

"ALTHOUGH KISSINGER NOW HAS WRITTEN OFF ANGOLA, HE HAS SAID THAT THE U.S. WILL NOT TOLERATE ANY FURTHER CUBAN MILITARY ADVENTURES AND HAS DISCUSSED THE CUBAN SITUATION WITH THE LEADERS OF VENEZUELA, PERU AND BRAZIL SO FAR. . . .

"U.S. AND BRAZILIAN OFFICIALS, MEANWHILE, MADE IT CLEAR THAT THE NEW CONSULTATIVE MECHANISM IS NOT ONLY FOR POLITICAL COOPERATION. THE HEART OF U.S.-BRAZILIAN RELATIONS LIES IN TRADE. . .

"PART OF THE PROBLEM LIES IN THE U.S. TRADE ACT, WHICH SPECIFIES THAT COUNTERVAILING DUTIES BE APPLIED. . .

"U.S. OFFICIALS SAY THE TRADE ACT DOES NOT PENALIZE EFFICIENCY, ONLY SUBSIDIES. BRAZIL, THEY SAY, COULD ACHIEVE THE SAME EFFECT PRODUCED THROUGH SUBSIDIES BY DEVALUEING ITS CURRENCY."

3. BALTSUN, TREWHITT FROM BRASILIA,

"BRAZIL AND THE U.S. AGREED FORMALLY YESTERDAY TO CONSULT REGULARLY ON ALL INTERNATIONAL ISSUES, THOUGH BOTH MADE IT CLEAR THE PROCESS SOMETIMES WILL BE PAINFUL. . . .

"BOTH GOVERNMENTS DECLARED IT TO BE AN EVENT OF STRATEGIC IMPORTANCE, LINKING THE NUCLEAR SUPERPOWER OF THE WEST AND THE MOST POWERFUL NATION IN LATIN AMERICA. BUT THE CIRCUMSTANCES SUGGESTED THAT MAKING IT WORK MAY REQUIRE MORE TOLERANCE THAN EITHER CAN MUSTER.

"F.M., IN A NEWS CONVERENCE, URGED GREATER, MORE CONCESSIONARY U.S. PARTICIPATION IN DEVELOPMENT OF BRAZIL'S AWESOME NATURAL RESOURCES. FOR DESPITE ITS POTENTIAL, BRAZIL HAS EQUALLY AWESOME ECONOMIC PROBLEMS. IF THE NEW RELATIONSHIP FAILED TO PROVIDE ACCELERATION, HE SAID, BRAZIL WILL WILL HAVE TO LOOK FOR OTHER OPTIONS, INCLUDING POLITICAL OPTIONS. INDEED, HE ARGUED, BRAZIL CAN BE 'SELECTIVE IN THE SENSE OF CHOOSING OPTIONS THAT ARE OFFERED TO US."

"FOR HIS PART, MR. KISSINGER, CONSTRAINED BY AN ASSERTIVE CONGRESS, COULD MAKE FEW HARD PROMISES. HE ALSO FOUND HIMSELF TO BE SOMEWHAT ON THE DEFENSIVE ABOUT A CLOSER RELATIONSHIP WITH A RIGHT-WING MILITARY DICTATORSHIP.

MADE IT PLAIN THAT HE HAD DISCUSSED HUMAN RIGHTS ISSUES WITH BRAZILIAN LEADERS. WHAT THEY TOLD HIM, HE SAID, INCLUDED THEIR IDEAS IN THE POLITICAL FIELD AND OTHER PERCEPTIONS ABOUT THE ROLE OF HUMAN RIGHTS IN THIS RESPECT.

"IT WAS NOT HIS BUSINESS, HOWEVER, HE SAID, TO DISCUSS PUBLICLY BRAZIL'S DOME; TIC DEVELOPMENTS. MORE GENERALLY, HE DECLARED THAT NO TWO COUNTRIES HELD MORE CONCERN FOR THE 'INDIVIDUAL HUMAN SPIRIT' THAN THE U.S. AND BRAZIL.

"MR. KISSINGER DOUBTLESS WILL HEAR MORE ABOUT THIS, AFTER HE RETURNS TO WASHINGTON TUESDAY."

ARTICLE GOES ON TO SUMMARIZE STATUS OF HUMAN RIGHTS IN BRAZIL. IT CONTINUES WITH ANALYSIS OF SECRETARY'S VIEWS.

"BUT MR. KISSINGER'S TURN TO BRAZIL APPEARS TO BE BASED ON LONG-TERM CONSIDERATIONS THAT TRANSCEND IMMEDIATE ISSUES. IT WAS INEVITABLE AND DESIRABLE, HE SAID, FOR BRAZIL TO JOIN THE CLUB OF THE RICH.

"HOWEVER THE RELATIONSHIP DEVELOPS, IT FITS INTO HIS CONCERN FOR FRIENDS AMONG DEVELOPING NATIONS NOW THAT THE U.S. AND THE SOVIET UNION SEESAW PRECARIOUSLY, IN HISTORIC TERMS, AT A STAGE OF STRATEGIC EQUALITY. THE SECRETARY LOOKS TO BRAZIL TO HELP MAINTAIN THE FRONT AGAINST COMMUNISM IN THE WESTERN HEMISPHERE.

"IN ISOLATION, THE AGREEMENT DOES NOT APPEAR BROAD ENOUGH TO CARRY THE BURDEN OF A GRAND DESIGN. . . .

"MR. KISSINGER LEFT NO DOUBT THAT THE RELATIONSHIP WOULD BE FILLED WITH CONFLICTS. THE QUESTION WAS, HE SAID, WHETHER POLITICAL WILL EXISTED TO REMOVE THEM."...

4. WASHPOST, OMANG FROM BRASILIA.

"SECRETARY. . . AND BRAZILIAN F.M.SIGNED CONSULTATIVE AGREEMENT GIVING BRAZIL A UNIQUE STATUS AS A U.S. ALLY IN LATIN AMERICA.

"KISSINGER SAID THE ACCORD WAS WORKED OUT DURING TWO YEARS OF NEGOTIATIONS. . .

"REFERRING FAMILIARLY TO F.M., KISSINGER SAID, 'ANTONIO HAS INSISTED THAT THE U.S. MUST PAY GREATER ATTENTION TO LATIN AMERICA."

"IN AN APPARENT EFFORT TO SOFTEN CONCERN IN THE REST OF LATIN AMERICA OVER A BRAZIL-U.S. AXIS AIMED AT DOMINATING THE HEMISPHERE, KISSINGER ADDED THAT THE AGREEMENT 'IS NOT AN EXCLUSIVE RELATIONSHIP BUT SOMETHING WE ARE PREPARED TO DO, EACH OF US, WITH OTHER NATIONS OF SIMILAR OBJECTIVES AS WELL.

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"HE TWICE AVUIDED DIRECT VIOLATIONS IN BRAZIL. IN 5.

RESPONSE TO A QUESTION FROM A BRAZILIAN JOURNALIST,

KISSINGER SAID HE DID NOT FEEL OBLIGED TO DISCUSS

DOMESTIC DEVELOPMENTS IN BRAZIL. HE ADDED HE HAD LEARNED

FROM HIS TALKS WITH OFFICIALS 'THEIR PERCEPTION OF THE

ROLE OF HUMAN RIGHTS' IN THE COUNTRY'S DEVELOPMENT, BUT

HE DID NOT ELABORATE.

"IN PRIVATE DISCUSSIONS, BRAZILIAN LEADERS HAVE SAID THEY CANNOT SEE ALLOWING 'A FEW HUNDRED DISSIDENTS' TO BLOCK IMPLEMENTATION OF POLICIES AIMED, IN THEIR VIEW, AT BETTERING THE LOT OF 103 MILLION BRAZILIANS.

""WHEN YOU HAVE MILLIONS OF ILLITERATES YOU CANNOT AFFORD TO MOVE SLOWLY. YOU HAVEN'T TIME TO TRY TO CONVINCE EVERYBODY BEFORE YOU ACT," ONE PUBLIC OFFICIAL SAID RECENTLY.

"THE RESPECT NEWSPAPER O ESTADO DE SAO PAULO, PUBLISHED IN BRAZIL'S LARGEST CITY AND ITS INDUSTRIAL CENTER, QUOTED MILITARY SOURCES THIS MORNING AS SAYING APPROVINGLY THAT KISSINGER WAS RESPECTING BRAZILIAN SOVEREIGNTY BY IGNORING IN HIS TALKS 'SENSITIVE ISSUES' SUCH AS HUMAN RIGHTS, BRAZIL'S U.N. VOTE CONDEMNING ZIONISM AS RACISM, ITS CONTRACT TO RECEIVE NUCLEAR TECHNOLOGY FROM WEST GERMANY, AND ANGOLA."...

WIRES P.M. SATURDAY. NO SUNDAY A.M. AVAILABLE.

1. AP, FREED FROM BRASILIA.
"THE U.S. FORMALLY PROMISED TO TREAT BRAZIL AS A MAJOR POWER AND ALLY TODAY, BUT OFFICIALS OF BOTH GOVERNMENTS MADE IT CLEAR THEY HAVE SERIOUS DISPUTES.

"SECRETARY. . . AND BRAZILIAN F.M. . . INITIALED A 10-POINT AGREEMENT OUTLINING THE NEW RELATIONSHIP.

TON ONE LEVEL, THE AGREEMENT RECOGNIZED BRAZIL AS A WORLD POWER BY CALLING FOR TWICE-A-YEAR CONSULTATIONS ON GLOBAL ISSUES BETWEEN THE SECRETARY OF STATE AND THE F.M.

"ON A NARROWER BUT STILL IMPORTANT LEVEL, THE AGREEMENT SETS UP PROCEDURES TO TRY AND SOLVE THE POTENTIALLY DISRUPTIVE ECONOMIC DISPUTES THAT EXIST.

"THE ACCORD WAS INITIALED JUST BEFORE KISSINGER ATTENDED AN ALL-STAR SOCCER GAME. THE FORMER SCHOOLBOY GOALKEEPER IS AN ENTHUSIASTIC FAN OF BRAZILIAN SOCCER AND DELAYED HIS TRIP TO RIO DE JANEIRO TO SEE THE GAME.

"AS A RESULT OF THE SECRETARY'S TALKS WITH TOP OFFICIALS WORKING GROUPS WERE ESTABLISHED TO LOOK INTO THE DISPUTE OVER SPECIAL U.S. DUTIES IMPOSED ON BRAZILIAN PRODUCTS TO OFFSET GOVERNMENT SUBSIDIES GRANTED TO WIN A PLACE ON THE AMERICAN MARKET.

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"SPECIAL TEAMS WERE ALSO PLANNED TO SEEK COMMON POLICIES FOR ENERGY DEVELOPMENT AND ON ACCELERATING AMERICAN TECHNOLOGICAL ASSISTANCE IN BRAZIL'S INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT.

"AZEREDO DA SILVEIRA MADE HIS RESERVATIONS CLEAR AT A FRIDAY NEWS CONFERENCE WHEN HE SAID FAILURE TO FIND A SOLUTION TO BRAZIL'S SATISFACTION WILL NOT BE TOLERATED.

"OTHERWISE, HE SAID, BRAZIL WILL HAVE TO LOOK FOR OTHER OPTIONS. AND THESE OTHER OPTIONS, UNDENIABLY, IN THE MEDIUM AND LONG RUN, WILL LEAD ALSO TOWARD POLITICAL OPTIONS."

"IN OTHER WORDS, IF THE U.S. DOESN'T EASE ITS TRADE LA TRADE LOWER THE SERIOUS BRAZILIAN TRADE DEFICIT, THEN BRAZIL WILL HAVE TO SHIFT ITS POLITICAL SUPPORT FOR AMERICAN POLICIES.

"KISSINGER ACKNOWLEDGED TODAY THAT THE AGREEME T 'DOES NOT REMOVE THE DIFFERENCES."

TAT A NEWS CONFERENCE KISSINGER WAS ASKED WHAT HE HAD DONE TO EASE CONCERNS OVER CLAIMS OF BRAZILIAN VIOLATIONS OF HUMAN RIGHTS.

"HIS FIRST ANSWER, TO A BRAZILIAN REPORTER, WAS ABRUPT.
"IT IS NOT MY OBLIGATION HERE PUBLICLY TO DISCUSS BRAZIL'S DOMESTIC POLICIES," HE SAID.

"LATER, HE ACKNOWLEDGED THAT HE HAD TALKED ABOUT THE ISSUE, BUT ONLY 'TO LEARN THEIR VIEWS AND IDEAS. . . OF THE ROLE OF HUMAN RIGHTS."

"WHEN AN AMERICAN REPORTER SUGGESTED THIS WAS NOT A FULL ANSWER, KISSINGER RESPONDED THAT HE HAS CONSTANTLY STATED THE U.S. SUPPORT FOR THE DIGNITY OF THE INDIVIDUAL AND THE RIGHTS OF HUMANS. ALL GOVERNMENTS UNDERSTAND THAT." HE SAID.

"IN HIS NEWS CONFERENCE BEFORE LEAVING FOR THE SOCCER GAME. KISSINGER ALSO MADE THESE POINTS:

--THE AGREEME T WITH BRAZIL IS NOT EXCLUSIVE AND SIMILAR ARRANGEMENTS MIGHT BE AVAILABLE TO OTHER LATIN AMERICAN NATIONS.

-- WE WILL DO WHAT IS NECESSARY TO PREVENT THE SUCCESS OF ANOTHER CUBAN FOREIGN ADVENTURE SUCH AS ANGOLA.

--FORMER PRESIDENT RICHARD NIXON WILL BE CONSULTED AFTER HIS RETURN FROM CHINA ON HIS IMPRESSION ON ANY DISCUSSIONS HE HAS WITH CHINESE LEADERS."2. REUTER, NELSON FROM BRASILIA.
"SECRETARY. . . SIGNED AN AGREEMENT TODAY CALLING FOR

REGULAR POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC CONSULTATIONS WITH BRAZIL, AND THEN OFFERED SIMILAR AGREEMENTS TO OTHER COUNTRIES.

THE CONSULTATIVE AGREEMENT, UNDER WITCH WINISTER SECRETARY OF STATE AND THE BRAZILIAN FOREIGN MINISTER WILL MEET TWICE A YEAR, WAS EXPECTED TO AROUSE SU PICIONS THAT THE U.S. WAS SEEKING TO ESTABLISH A NEW WASHINGTON-BRASILIA AXIS:

"BUT SPEAKING AFTER SIGNING THE AGREEMENT WITH BRAZILIAN F.M..., DR. KISSINGER SAID: "WHAT WE ARE DOING HERE IS NOT AN EXCLUSIVE ARRANGEMENT, BUT SOMETHING WE ARE PREPARED TO DO WITH OTHER NATIONS WITH SIMILAR OBJECTIVES AS WELL."...

"DR. KISSINGER TOLD REPORTERS THAT THE TWO COUNTRIES HAD AGREED TO FORM A GROUP TO DEAL WITH ENERGY QUESTIONS, IN ADDITION TO PREVIOUSLY ARRANGED GROUPS ON THE TRANSFER OF U.S. TECHNOLOGY TO BRAZIL AND ON AMERICAN-BRAZILIAN TRADE QUESTIONS.

"DR. KISSINGER AVOIDED SPECIFIC ANSWERS TO TWO QUESTIONS ON WHETHER HE WAS AS CONCERNED ABOUT HUMAN RIGHTS AS ABOUT ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL COOPERATION IN THE LATIN NATIONS, MANY OF WHICH HAVE MILITARY GOVERNMENTS." . . .

3. UPI, WALTE FROM BRASILIA
"SECRETARY OF STATE HENRY KISSINGER SAID SATURDAY...
U.S.-BRAZIL PACT ON INTERNATIONAL AND BILATERAL
COOPERATION WAS NOT MEANT TO TURN U.S. LATIN AMERICAN
POLICY INTO 'AN OBSESSION' WITH CUBA.

"AT A NEWS CONFERENCE AFTER THE SIGNING CEREMONY IN BRAZILIA'S FUTURISTIC FOREIGN MINISTRY BUILDING, KISSINGER DENIED THE PACT HAD ANY RELATION TO CUBA OR THAT NATION'S RECENT INTERVENTION IN ANGOLA. . . .

"KISSINGER, WHO AT THE SIGNING WITH F.M. . . . SEVERAL TIMES CALLED THE BRAZILIAN BY HIS FIRST NAME, TOLD REPORTERS, "I BELIEVE BRAZIL IS DESTINED TO JOIN THE CLUB OF THE RICH."

"THE 10-POINT 'MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING CONCERNING CONSULTATIONS ON MATTERS OF MUTUAL INTEREST' WAS NEGOTIATED OVER THE LAST TWO YEARS AND IS UNIQUE IN THE HISTORY OF U.S.-SOUTH AMERICAN RELATIONS.

"UNDER THE PACT, THE HEMISPHERIC GIANTS ARE TO HOLD HIGH-LEVEL SEMIANUAL TALKS IN WASHINGTON AND BRAZIL TO DISCUSS BILATERAL ISSUES AND THE 'FULL RANGE OF FOREIGN POLICY MATTERS INCLUDING ANY SPECIFIC ISSUE THAT MAY BE RAISED BY EITHER SIDE."

OF THE MANY INTERNATIONAL UNDERSTANDINGS I HAVE SIGNED, NONE HAS GIVEN ME GREATER PLEASURE, SAID AZEREDO, WHO CALLED KISSINGER 'MY DEAR FRIEND, HENRY. . . . "

UPI SEPARATE ITEM DATELINED BRAZILIA AND RUNNING AT SAME TIME, BUT NOT BYLINED WALTE READS:

"SECRETARY OF STATE HENRY KISSINGER OR OTHER FORD ADMINISTRATION OFFICIALS WILL DEBRIEF FORMER PRESIDENT NIXON AFTER HIS RETURN FROM CHINA, KISSINGER SAID SATURDANO Objection To Declassification in Full 2011/04/29: LOC-HAK-176-9-12-4

"'WE WILL, OF COURSE, WISH TO LEARN ABOUT THE NATURE AND THE RESULT' OF NIXON'S CHINA TRIP, KISSINGER TOLD A NEWS CONFERENCE AT THE END OF HIS THREE-DAY OFFICIAL VISIT TO BRAZIL'S CAPITAL.

"KISSINGER SAID THE HOW AND WHEN OF THE DEBRIEFING WOULD BE DECIDED AFTER NIXON'S RETURN SCHEDULED FOR FEB. 29.

"KISSINGER SAID PEKING HAD NOT CONSULTED THE STATE DEPARTMENT ABOUTINVITING NIXON TO CHINA.

"IT IS NOT AN ACTION BY THE U.S. GOVERNMENT, BUT WE ARE IN FAVOR OF ANY ACT THAT STRESSES THE SIGNIFICANCE EITHER SIDE ATTACHES TO OUR MUTUAL RELATIONS," KISSINGER SAID.

"EARLIER PRESIDENT FORD AND KISSINGER HAD TAKEN A COOL ATTITUDE TOWARD THE CHINA VISIT AND THE STATE DEPARTMENT LET IT BE KNOWN THAT NIXON CARRIED NO MESSAGE TO CHINESE LEADERS FROM FORD.". . .

RADIO/TV

1. ABC -- NO SAT. EVENING NEWS PROGRAM.
2. CBS EVENING NEWS -- DAN RATHER SAYS:
"SECRETARY OF STATE KISSINGER WAS NOT INFLUENCED BY THE WHITE HOUSE WHEN HE SAID TODAY THAT FORMER PRESIDENT NIXON WILL REPORT ON HIS TRIP TO CHINA EITHER TO PRESIDENT FORD OR TO KISSINGER.

"WHITE HOUSE SPOKESMEN HAD SAID THAT THERE WERE NO PLANS AT ALL TO DEBRIEF MR. NIXON. THE FORMER PRESIDENT AND HIS WIFE ARRIVED IN PEKING TODAY; THEY WILL BE HONORED IN CHINA FOR EIGHT DAYS.

"SECRETARY KISSINGER'S REMARKS, BY THE WAY, CAME FROM BRAZIL WHERE HE SIGNED AN AGREEMENT TODAY PROVIDING FOR REGULAR ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL CONSULTATIONS BETWEEN THE U.S. AND BRAZIL."

3. NBC --NO VALERIANI. TOM BROKAW REPORTS.
"FORMER PRESIDENT RICHARD NIXON ARRIVED IN PEKING,
CHINA, TODAY AND ALMOST IMMEDIATELY THERE WAS SOME
CONFUSION ABOUT WHAT HIS ROLE WOULD BE WHEN HE
RETURNS TO THE U.S. WILL HE OR WON'T HE BRIEF THE FORD
ADMINISTRATION ON HIS VISIT WITH CHINA'S NEW ACTING
PREMIER?

IN BRAZIL, SECSTATE KISSINGER SAID, YES, NIXON WOULD FORMALLY REPORT ON HIS TALKS. BUT AT THE WHITE HOUSE, PRESIDENTIAL PRESS SECRETARY RON NESSEN SAID, "THERE ARE NO PLANS FOR A NIXON BRIEFING," ADDING," WE HAVE DAY-TO-DAY CONTACTS WITH THE CHINESE AND HAVE NO NEED FOR A BRIEFING BY A PRIVATE CITIZEN," NESSEN'S DESCRIPTION. IT WAS A CONFUSING START TO A BIZARRE VISIT."

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